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SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 1905.

Richmond in 1904.

The year 1904 was a banner year The city made marked progress in every direction, profree that will compare most favorably In trade, in finance, and in industry,

greater advance. During the year we nearly thirty thousand persons, with an than \$60,000,000. In the manufacployed, a capital of \$2,500,000 invested, and sales for the year exceeding \$5, engaged in other branches of the tobacco

n the leaf tobacco trade, total sales for corresponding period of 1903. Sales for December alone amounted to nearly two

most exclusively in sun-cured tobacco, which is the best tobacco of all, and our enterprising warehousemen have done valuable service for the city in developing that branch of the industry. If the farmers will only make good suncured tobacco and send it to Richmond, they may be sure of receiving satisfac-

The banks of Richmond make a most gratifying exhibit, showing an aggregate of \$3,799,034.48. A statement in detail convince any reader that Richmond is an important financial center, and that its banking resources are such as to offer

In banking facilities, in transportation facilities, in geographical location, in health and in all other respects, Richmond yields to no city in the South in advantages and inducements to all who are looking for a new field of exploitation and endeavor.

Another evidence of Richmond's growth and progress is found in the large increase during the year in building operations. It is conservatively estimated that the value of buildings creeted, and in progress during the year amounted to \$5,000,000, and will yield a not gain in income to the city of more than \$30,000. Those of our esteemed citizens who contend that Richmond is not alfie to expend \$10,000 for a public library are invited to consider this statement.

The receipts of the postoffice for 1904 show an increase over the previous year of \$21,905, and an increase in eight years of more than seventy per cent. These figures are also significant. In whatever direction investigation may be turned there are unmistakable signs and proof, of progress and prosperity.

In an educational way there has also been a decided step forward. Our schools both, public and private, have made steady gains in efficiency, and will compare favorably with those of any other educational center. The only blot upon our public school system is the wrotched High School building, which is a dis credit, but there is now every promise that before the present year shall have ended. it will have been replaced by a modern glructure in keeping with the dignity ed prestige of the institution,

We have written in no spirit of boast, but, we confess, in a spirit of wride. Hichmond is "no mean city." It is a city of refinement, sulture, good morals, good manners, a city of thrift, industry and progress. Let us all as good citizens see to it that we shall at least make as satisfactory progress in 1905 as w. have made in the year just closed.

Retrospection:

As we/take, a look backward at the torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher of the nucleals of Henry The torted in incher the nucleal of the n such a poor account of themselves in the presidential election, but they con-ducted their campaign upon a high plans of decency and patriotism, and although they lost, they came out of the contest with clean hands and with the honor of the party preserved. President Roosever, was not pured up by his victory, but his opera, was introduced that friends by cleart has warmed toward his people because of the consmous plurality, which he received, and he appears to be determined to administer his office in such a way as shall heat subserve the general a way as shall heat subserve the general day, which is sung throughout. interests. We believe that he is endeavering to be the President of the whole nation, and if the rumor is true that he had and the production of his rimity. side that he was elected.

Another important event of the year

was the railfication by the Senate on February 21st of the canal trenty between the ama. On May oth the christ zone was formally coded, and the work on the construction of the canal has now begun.
On November 1st an important treaty

than over before.

During the year the Louisiana Pur

altogother, the most prosperous in the history of the United States. All indusbefore either to stand the loss or to hold

detail the progressive movements in scimade in all these directions, and it is not too much to say that as a nation we are in all respects measurably advanced over

It is sad to recall, however, that during he year many of our distinguished citifirst of all the two Confederate generals. uary, In February Senator Mark Hanna and William C. Whitney, former Secretary of the Navy, died. In May Senator M. S. Quay, of Pennsylvania, died, and in June Abner McKinley, brother of the late President, as also Schatof James L. Mitchell, of Wisconsin, and Rear-Admira James A. Greer. In the following month Mayor of Toledo, died, and in August we sourl. In September we lost Senator the videst and most distinguished mon

so doing we bring them back and put them upon us as a burden we make a serious mistake. We commit a blunder serious mistake. which God Himself does not approve. It is as though we went down into the grave and resurrected the skeletons and tled them about our nock to depress us in spirit and to hamper and hinder us in our daily work. No man has the right to treat himself so unkindly, so unfairly, "This one thing I do," said St. Paul "forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark of the prize of the high calling." That is true philosophy and true reli-We cannot but remember th events of the past, good and bad.

cannot literally forget those things which are behind, but we may forget them far as the remembrance of them becomes a handicap and a hindrance. It is philosophy and religion to put them behind us, for that is where they belong and not to drag them along with us and impede our own progress. The remembrance of our sorrows should soften the heart; the remembrance of our mistertunes should strengthen our courage and earnest endeavor; the remembrance of bur mistakes should make us more careful and discreet; the remembrance of our sins should lead us to repentance. If so, we may, under the blessing of providence, turn them all to good and profitable ac-

## The Opera.

count.

Richmond is to have this week a season of grand opera, and the lovers of the highest order of music will enjoy a feast

The idea of rendering a play in musle was probably derived from the Greek drama, we are told, and is said to have become a recognized form of dramatic composition as early as the latter half of the fifteenth century. Historians are catified to be called an opera was publicly produced before the year 160, when Ottavio Rinuccin's drama of Euridee, Agents.

spring up in Italy, of which the chief-master is Verdi, one of whose grandest works, Il Trovatore, will be heard fills week in Richmond. "In 1645," says the historian, "Italian

in 1711. The first open sung entirely in Italian was Concein's Amanide, which was brought out in 1720. We are told that the opera encountered ridicule and oppofrom the people, but in spite of this it, gradually grew in popular favor, and from the time of Handel to the present

day it has maintained itself in England. Opera took root very early in Germany which may arise between the two republics will be settled by arbitration, Siminary treatles between Great Biltain and the united States between Great Biltain and the several other foreign countries and the United States have been signed and are the French adopted Juni as the English now pending in the Scatte. It is believed that they will be ratified, and it so the poser of operas for the modern orchestra, world will be on a surer peace feeting. Among the composers who since the time stage are Mozart, Meyerbaer and Von chase Exposition was held at St. Louis, Weber among the Germans; Clinarosa, and was from every point of view a great Cherubini, Spontini, Rossini, Dobizotti, success, It was the largost and most Mercadante, Bellini and Verdi among the comprehensive exposition the world ever italians; and Boleidien, Amber, Hulovy,

ment that grand opera in Richmond will pay, we shall have other such delight

### A Sea Level Panama Canal.

The level at which and, indeed, the lines along which the Panama Canal is to be constructed, have not yet been finally determined. There are several! plans under consideration in accordance

Before the United States bought out the French company, there were three separate levels proposed, the high level, the mean level, and the low level. Of course, the higher the level, the less the more locks or higher locks. There was no proposition at that time to build a States engineers have resolutely taken hold of the problem they have made

of the Isthmian Canal Commission, has Interstate and Foreign Commerce his opinion regarding the engineering task to be performed in the construction of

Asked by members of the would cost \$225,000,000, could be open for traffic in ton years, and fully completed in twolve years; the thiry foot level would cost \$250,000,000, open for traffic in twelve years, and fully completed in firtuen years; the sen level canal would cost \$300,000,000, could be open for traffic in fifteen years and completed in twenty years. would cost \$225,000,000, could be oper

Those estimates were based on a tenhour day, and Mr. Wallace said that with the construction of the Gamboa dam, and the operation of the power plant, electric lights sufficient to illumine the whole of Culebra Cut might be had, thus making practical the working of two or more shifts, and shortening the time of the construction, the excavation of this Culebra Cut being the feature of the construction that took the time for completing the canal.

It seems to us that if the final inves tigation of the engineers confirm Mr. Wallace's opinion that a sea level canal ean be opened for truffic in lifteen years at a cost of \$300,000,000, and that by the use of electric lighting, as proposed; this time could be very much shortened, there should, be no question as to the construction of the canal at a sea level, the matter of cost at \$300,000,000, or even \$250,000,000 being entirely a secondary and subordinate - consideration. This would be paid out along through ten years, amounting to \$35,000,0000 a year, and the burden would never be felt by the people of the United States.

The advantages of a sen level canal are so obvious and everwhelming, that its possibility constituted the great justifieation for preferring the Panama route over the Nicaragua route,

Within the past few years we have seen "Charity begins at home." So, also, should the patronage of home people be given from institutions. The Virginia State should not be forgotten in this connection.—A. B. Heinrich, Solicitor.

demands of the future are so great that the question of some millions of dellars, and of a flow years of time in addition. to the breacht box route, are instruct. make you from this day forward "strong cant, and lideed, inconsiderable. The

Major John, W. Daniel has consented to swer, become editor of the "Confederate" Why should we live on a penny a day

brilliant writer, and most of all, he was

He is now a loyal citizen of member of the Federal Schate, but he loves the cause for which he fought; he of the principles of the Southern Contederacy and he honors the men who consecrated themselves to that

In writing his marrative he will deal in facts, and not in fiction. He will write history, and he will tell the simple truth, "nothing extenuating, nor setting

been an interesting feature of the paper; it will be more so now, that Major Daniel will edit it. But we desire the Confederates to inderstand that it is still their "column," and that their contributions will, as before, be gladly re-

### New India Rubber Plau:

No inventor has yet been able to manu-facture or discover a satisfactory sub-stitute for India rubber, the uses of which he supply. As a consequence, the price

some cases similar to a lemon.

The growth is quite simple and hardly any quitivation is necessary. The plant already been cultivated in various varioties; which will be tried in differen

plant is that it will grow where there is no appearance of water. The method At the end of about seventy minutes of not been overestimated, the addition to the comfort and convenience of the world

### Cotton in Australia?

Botanical experts have reported to the government of Australia that without who ever served hi that body.

This is to most of us, and especially to those of us who are growing old, a day of retrospection. We are upt to recall the sorrows, the mistortanes, the mistakes and the sins of the past year. We cannot help remembering them, but in cannot help remembering them, but in this as a basis, the sixty foot level cannot help remembering them, but in this as a basis, the sixty foot level cannot help remembering them, but in this as a basis, the sixty foot level cannot help remembering them, but in this as a basis, the sixty foot level cannot help remembering them, but in this as a basis, the sixty foot level cannot help remembering them, but in this as a basis, the sixty foot level cannot help remembering them, but in this as a basis, the sixty foot level cannot help remembering them, but in the same at five shilling the remembering them that the values of the vertices of th one who will enter in intract to cul

tivate the same for Of course, the lab stion and the experience which have in so long and painfully acquired in a South would have to be either in ortel or learned in n so long and o South would Australia, but the more existence of such a feeling shows that the Australians are fully alive to the value of cotton and are trying to develop that field of agriculture

### "New Year."

"And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold I make all things new."—Rev. xi:5. It is the first day of a now year, and,

herefore, a day of solemn joy. Though there is no real difference between this and any other day, yet in our minds and thought it is another initiatione set up on the highway of your life. It has hus all the force of a great faut.

When men "cross the line" they find no visible mark; tile sea bears no trace of an equatorial belt. Yet marmars all know it, and take notice thereof, and that others crossing the hine" for the first time will remember it to the day of his death.

We are crossing the line now. We have alled into the year of grace 1906; therefore, let us keep a feast with the Lord The old year, with all its trials and sor rows, all its broken hopes and yows; all its temptations and sine, is gone, and a new year, full of hope and grace, and opportunity has risen to bless us as we journey on. Shall we not give | God thunks?

The words He speaks to us to-day are truly divine. Listen: "Behold, I-." Who is this great I? Who but the eternal Son of God? "Behold, I make," AVho can make but God, the creator of heaven and earth. It is Ills high prelogative to make and to destroy. "Behold I make all things." What a range of creating all things." What a range of creating the first things. The Virgin State should not be forgotten in this compower is here! Nothing stands outside of nection.—W. F. Richardson, Solicitor,

that all-subtracing circle.

"Behold I make all things new." What policy-holder in the Virginia State, splender of Almighty goodness shines out. Charles K. Willis, Agent.

collimit of The Times-Dispatch, and his interesting announcement will be found in that department, sen page two, of the

magazing scatter of 'to-day's issue.

In engaging Mijor Daniel for this work, we feel that The Times-Dispatch has performed a valuable public service. No fiving man is better qualified for such a task. Major Daniel is a scholar a task. Major Daniel is a scholar a task.

"I make all things new." ;
Perhaps it may be a cloud of discontent, but when the child of God rights himself, all these imaginary troubles will vanish like the mist of the morning. Supchange your condition, dear friend, for sause your business to prosper, and if not burden of your dally cross.

It is wonderful how difficulties vanish

when we take them to God. You wish to and worry to what purpose? Let it alone, and in humble prayer take the whole

to the glorious prospect of the radiunt future. For John writes, "And I saw a new heaven, and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth were passed va?"

Editor of The Times-Displace.

Bir,—Will the cellpse of the sun, August 20, 1905, be total? and at what time will the cour in the longitude of Richmond, va?

And oblige.

J. T. S. coming down from God, out of lienven, eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away; and He that sat upon the throne said, Behold I make all things new; and He said unto me, all things new; and He said unto me, counties? write, for these things are true and faithful. Let us thank God for His word of hope, and with a manly heart go forth to meet the future, for whatever the company to meet the future for the future future for the future future for the future for the future fu

The first of January comes on Sunday.
The grand question is not will we celebrate Saturday or Monday for New Year's Day, but rather will the bill collectors call on Saturday or Monday.
Atlanta Journal.

is its correct name. New York, a trifle more tony, calls it "subway," while re ground, which runs partly under the bay,

and the Japs have not gotten Port Aracre, to any capturing keys to the situation,

"I am a Democrat," so President Roosevelt is reported to have said. Is that the kind of a new leaf he proposes to turn over for the new year?

Banker Beckwith, who was victimized

time so that it may be overtaken by

Baltic No. 3 before it bumps up against Admiral Togo. It is well if you thought well before leaping into the stream of prodigious new

Now is the time to write it 1905.

Richardson-Wise.

The marriage of Miss Minto Wise, of Richmond, to Mr. Wade H. Richardson, or Manchester, Va., took place in Washington, D. C., Tuesday, December 27th, at 10 o'clock P. M.

They have returned to their future home in Manchester, Va., and are being warmly congratulated by their many friends.

## QUERIES and ANSWERS

Judas and the Last Supper.

With reference to the question of Mr. L. B. Vaughan, whether or not Christ ate the Lord's Super with Judas, and

atte the Lord's Super with Judes, and cur reply, we have the following:

If occurs to me that the answer is correct, as far as it goes but it does not answer to Mr. Vaughan's question. Unated the other apostles, when our Lord ate the Passover Adpper with them on the eventing of the day preceding illis a cuclfixed and particle of the day preceding illis a cuclfixed and particle of the statements we stitisted and particle of the district of the deletion is not definitely and certainly settled by the statements we should be an opinion that he was not present. You will observe that it was not present. You will observe the the Passover supper preceded the institution of what is known as the Lord's Supper. It was during the observance of the passolal supper that Judas was exposed, and went out to perfect his arrangements for the deliverance of his Master to the Jowish authorities. You don't suppose that he remained and partock of the Lord's supper, that solemn memorial to be observed in memory of lim, his Lord, after he had just been accused and exposed in his shamoful and disgraceful scheme of treaters and the same that Lord, after he had just been accused and exposed in his shamoful and disgraceful scheme of treaters and the reschal supper, that the same accused and exposed in his shamoful and disgraceful scheme of treaters and the reschal supper, that the control of the passon was a control of the control of th

accused and exposed in his accused and exposed in the second disgraceful scheme of treachery and betrayal?

You will observe that II was during the paschal supper that Jess, exposed Judas Iscariot, the son of Sinton. To the question, "Lord, who is it that shall betray you?" Jesus answered: "He it is to whom I shall give the sop when I have dipped it," and He gave it to Judas Iscariot. "He, then, having received, the sop, went immediately out," &c. All this occurred when they were observing the Pussover super. After they had caten this supper and Judas had been exposed and had gone out, the Lord instituted and the disciples observed the Lord's supper. (Compare Matthew xxvi: 17-35, Mark xiv. 12-35, Luke xixi: 7-23, "John xili: 1-36.) While the point in controversy is not definitely and certainly stated in the narratives given by the New Testament writers, I think the inference is quite clear that Judas was not present when the "Lord's supper" was celebrated.

L. J. H.

### The Next Eclipse

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

It will be total on a narrow track passing through Spain and Portugal. Here it will be only a partial eclipse. The sun here will rise eclipsed.

or hunting in the snow pheasants (or the snow, but the meaning obviously is any sheet of snow so covering the ground as either to expose these game birds to sight or make it easy to track them up.

2d. The board of supervisors of a county and for the make the supervisors of a county and for the make the supervisors of a county and for the make the supervisors of a county and for the make the supervisors of a county are to prefer the request to the circuit the supervisors of a county and for the make the supervisors of a county and for the meaning and for the bride is a popular young lady of the b ive resident freeholders of any magiste

rial district, appoint a suitable person in magisterial district as game warden, whose jurisdiction shal be con-

of each year, pay in equal amounts to the wardens of his county such sum as may be in his hands arising from the issue of licenses. Wardens also jet the fines that, may be imposed when cure a conviction. (

4th. This is unswered in the last above.

# Acknowledgments of Notaries.

Banker Beckwith, who was victimized by Mrs. Chadwick, is said to resemble Russell Bage—in personal appearance, only, it may be observed.

That shot that young Mr. Gould fired in the streets of New York has been heard all around the world, and it didn't hit anything either.

North Carolina will really begin her new Governor and the assembling of her new Governor and the assembling of her new Legislature.

"Are the American people growing shorter?" asks a medical confomperary. They are always a little shorter just after Christmas.

Baltic fleet No. 2 is now making slow time se that it may be overtaken by time se that it may be overtaken by the state of the pensioner is pennyless, who pays postage?

Acknowledgments of Notaries.

Editor of The Times-Dispratch:

Sir.—Please answer these two questions anotary public is called upon to take an acknowledgment of onc's signature to an instruency of the riting, and he observes, it is preferred that he should not know the confirm and writing, and he observes, it is preferred that he should not know the confirm and writing, and he observes, it is preferred that he should not know the confirm of writing, and he observes, it is preferred that he should not know the confirm of the flatte to affix his signature as a notary without reading said writing and he observes, it is preferred that he should not know the confirm of the flatte he confirm to the State of Virginia for his pension, and through neglect of the countries.

Yare the American people growing the confirmation of the auditor, milist he lose that he should not know the confirmation of her ones Governor and the assembling of her new Go

1. It is the notary's duty and privilege to make himself acquainted with the contents of the paper only to the extent of identifying it by its date. He should know its date, and the date is some-Year promises.

"Happy New Year" will be mentioned something more than forty million times to-day.

know its date, and the date is sometimes at the end. This, because the certificate, which he gives specifies the date of the paper acknowledged,

2. All public officers are responsible for the discharge of their official duties, and, if any one is injured by the neglect of any officer, he may proceed by suit, to hold him liable to the extent of the loss that such person may have suffered, The law forbids any clerk, attorney, of

ficer or other person from charging any foo or other compensation for any service rendered to any applicant for a pension put does not impose upon them the in-curring of expenses, by way of postage

Torpedo Boats.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch; Bir.-Please answer through your paper whether a torpedo boat destroyer is a

donger than a torpedy boat, and swifter, having such speed and armament as to

an intimation that peace might be se-

### Bell and Everett.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—in your issue of December 25th,
instant, John A. McNell asks: "Who was
the last candidate to run for the cresidency as a [Whig, and what year was
this?"

thist"

You answer: "The last candidate of the party was Winfield Scott." As a matter of political history, I will ask if John Hell was not the Whig candidate in 1860 on the ticket of Hell and Everett?

W. C.M.

Union" party. The Whigs individually supported that ticket, but as a party, they made no nomination after their nomina tion of Winfield Scott in 1852.

## A Saying of Roosevelt.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,-In reply to one of your correspondents, hermit me to say that President Rossoveit wrote about lynching horse thieves in volume I. of his "The Winning of the West." Foreign Rulers.

Bolitor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir.—Please publish through your valuable medium, "Questions and Answors" column, the names and addresses of the Khedive of Expyt, the Shah of Persia and the Sultan of Turkey, and oblise,

Yours truly,

B. W. C.

Arbbas Hilmi, Cutro.

# 2 Mirza Oli Asghar Khan, Teheran. 3. Abdul Hanud II., Constantinopic.

Miss Viola Garlett and Mr. Willie Fore in the parlors of the Roy. Mr. Maxey.

home on Twenty-second Street,
Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Gar-lett, Mr. and Mrs. Fore, Mr. and Mrs. Burlow, Mr. and Mrs. Fore, Mr. and Mrs. Burlow, Mr. and Mrs. Dowell, Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy, Misses Myrtle Dowell, Norma YcCarthy, Fannie Mumpries, Marle Waiters, and Messes, Leroy McCarthy, George Hach, Paul Inge, Harry Inge, and others.

If you are not, you should be policy-holder in the Virginia Sante-A. L. Pleasants, Agent.



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merit. Any plano, c be made to produ some sort of music, b this is a plano whi responds to the touch the most fastidious a

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